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14 December 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, PIC

SUBJECT : Establishment of PIC Detachment at Langley

1. On 8 December the undersigned briefed Mr. Tidwell on the proposal for the establishment of the PIC Langley Detachment together with its suggested functions and responsibilities. Mr. Tidwell felt that the proposal had considerable merit and indicated that it had his strong endorsement. However, he suggested that the proposal be coordinated with the Control Officers of OCI, OSI and ORR as soon as practicable.

2. Accordingly, on 13 December, 1915-1115, a meeting was held in the PIC Conference Room to discuss the proposal incident to the establishment of the PIC Detachment at Langley. The following were in attendance:

[]	- OSI	[]	- PIC
	- ORR		- PIC
Mr. F. Voigt	- OCI		- PIC
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3. The discussion centered principally on the proposed aims and functions of the PIC Langley Detachment, with particular emphasis on establishing one central repository of all PIC publications in the Detachment Headquarters at the new CIA Building. This would obviate the need for any other appropriately-cleared CIA component to maintain a complete set of PIC publications. Neither OCI nor OSI intends to have a Control Center in the new building, and these two offices together with ORR expect to rely on the facilities and services of the Langley Detachment to meet most of their specific needs. However, ORR plans to maintain a Control Center of its own, primarily to perform functions similar to the work that office has been doing with AMS in the photo-mapping field.

4. The specific requirements and research functions as well as the suggested staffing pattern of the PIC Detachment were discussed. The point was raised regarding the probable need, because of the space problem, to use periodically the OCI Situation Room for the Director, PIC to present selected briefings to Senior Agency officials and also for large-sized conferences. Mr. Voigt felt that this need could be readily accommodated.

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5. The suggestions and points outlined above were favorably and unqualifiedly received by the representatives of the three DD/I offices. It was agreed that, shortly after the first of the year, appropriate PIC representatives, would visit the three DD/I Control Centers to gain some first-hand appreciation of and insight into their operations. This would enable the Detachment to be better prepared to service their needs as effectively and expeditiously as possible from the very beginning of its existence.

6. The undersigned also discussed all of the above points with [redacted] who reacted most favorably. [redacted] has been unable to determine thus far whether space will be allocated in the new building for a DD/P Control Center. At any rate, he feels that the establishment of the PIC Langley Detachment could adequately service the various needs of the DD/P.

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